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To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552, I request access to and copies of the following records from the **U. S. Environmental Protection Agency Office of the Inspector General ("EPA OIG"):** 

- 1) Copies of any and all records in the possession of the EPA OIG relating to the consulting firm McKinsey & Company ("McKinsey") for the period January 1, 2015 to the present. The term "records" includes the following:
- (a) communications between any employee or partner of McKinsey and any employee of the EPA OIG including emails (email domain for McKinsey ending in "@mckinsey.com"), letters, faxes, memoranda and any other type of written communication;
- (b) any audits, reports and memoranda prepared by the EPA OIG relating to work performed by McKinsey;
  - (c) any audits, reports and memoranda prepared by McKinsey for the EPA OIG;
- (d) any contract bids submitted by McKinsey in response to a RFI (request for information) or a RFP (request for proposal) that are in the possession of the EPA OIG;
- (e) copies of any contracts awarded to McKinsey that are in the possession of the EPA OIG and all associated contract documents (such as any memoranda, reports, emails or other documents concerning the contract;
- (f) any other internal communications or documents in the possession of the EPA OIG concerning or mentioning McKinsey. The terms "communications" and "documents" include

reports, memoranda, emails, letters, faxes, notes or any other type of written communication or document.

- 2) Copies of all FOIA logs maintained by the EPA OIG for the period January 1, 2015 to the present.
- 3) All other FOIA requests received by the EPA OIG from January 1, 2015 to the present seeking documents and information pertaining to McKinsey, which mention or pertain to McKinsey, all other communications related to those requests, and all responsive materials provided by the EPA OIG to those requesters.

If you deny all or any part of this request, please cite each specific exemption you believe justifies your refusal to release the information and notify me of appeal procedures available under the law. If portions of a document are redacted because those portions are exempt from disclosure, please explain the basis for each redaction separately by reference to specific exemptions from the Act, and release all reasonably segregable portions of the remaining document. I ask that you include information contained in the material that otherwise would be considered non-responsive to my specific request. Please exercise your discretion if the information could be considered technically exempt.

Note that I will only modify this request in writing, not via telephone.

If any portion of the requested records is exempt from disclosure, considered too voluminous or denied for any other reason, please provide an index of those documents, as required under *Vaughn v. Rosen*, 484 F.2d 820 (D.C. Cir. 1973), *cert. denied*, 415 U.S. 977 (1972). I agree to pay up to \$150 for costs associated with this request. Please notify me if the costs exceed that amount and provide a detailed invoice.

I look forward to your reply within 20 business days, as required by statute.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/

Nancy Silverman, Esq.